The Church

Church is found in the New Testament 79 times. None in the Old Testament.

Jesus mentions the church in only two verses, Mat 16:18, and 18:17. (7 verses in Revelations)

Church in the Greek;

G1577 ἐκκλησία From a compound of G1537 and a derivative of G2564; ***a calling out****, that is, (concretely) a popular meeting, especially a religious congregation (Jewish synagogue, or Christian community of members on earth or saints in heaven or both): - assembly, church.*

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Eph 2:20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

Jesus Christ IS the church, He is calling out. Your church begins with Jesus. You as an individual, building upon your church through your personal relationship with Jesus and Father God.

The basis of the truth begins with Jesus and what he taught and how he lived. Begin with the red letters of the bible. Divisions begin going outside of the teachings of Jesus. The teachings of Jesus needs no interpretation because of the simplicity of what is needed to understand how to live and be kept in a "salvation" life.

Jesus taught from the spiritual aspect of church. Jesus had his focus on love being the basis of how to live life. All things can be determined by asking oneself, is this thinking, or is this action done with and through love?
Teachings and traditions created without first applying the base principle of love, is futile.

1Co 3:10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

Mat 16:18-19 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Eph 4:16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

Carnally speaking, the church is a physical building. The church is for edifying from love one to another. To build upon the understanding and growth from love with like minds.

James says;

James 5:14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

Paul has much to say in 1Ti 3:1-16.

Mark 7:6-13 He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the

commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition. For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death: But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free. And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother; Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

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